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SUBJECT: BRIBERY OF FOREIGN OFFICIALS BY US CORPORATIONS

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1. DURING A LUNCHEON TODAY I HAD OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS BRIEFLY BUT IN ADEQUATE DETAIL WITH FOREIGN MINISTER BLANCO THE SUBSTANCE OF REFTEL. SPECIFICALLY I INDICATED THE PROSPECTS AND PRINCIPLES OUTLINED IN PARAGRAPH 2.

2. IN RESPONSE FOREIGN MINISTER BLANCO MENTIONED THAT HE FOUND THE BOLIVIANS (HE HAD JUST VISITED THAT COUNTRY) TO BE IN A STATE OF HIGH AGITATION AND CONCERN OVER THE REVELATIONS REGARDING PAYMENTS MADE TO FORMER PRESIDENT BARRIENTOS. HE SURMISED THAT PART OF THE EXPECTATIVA WAS BECAUSE OF INDICATIONS THAT STILL OTHERS REMAIN TO BE NAMED. HE OBSERVED ALSO THAT WHILE PAYMENT OF BRIBES CANNOT BE CONDONED, BEING AN ILLEGAL ACT, IT MUST BE RECOGNIZED THAT THERE ARE OCCASIONS WHEN GREAT AND UNFAIR PRESSURES ARE BROUGHT TO BEAR ON FOREIGN INVESTORS. HE WONDERED WHY GULF HAD MADE THESE PARTICULAR REVELATIONS AND AGREED THAT IN ANY CASE A COUNTRY'S REACTION SHOULD BE PROPORTIONATE TO THE OFFENSE. IN THIS REGARD HE VOLUNTEERED THE OBSERVATION THAT INsofar AS HE CAN SEE PERU'S REACTION IN NATIONALIZING A MINOR GULF OPERATION WHERE NO OFFENSE BY GULF HAD BEEN CHARGED WAS A CLEAR EXAGGERATION AND ON THE FACE OF IT UNJUSTIFIED.

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3. ON THIS MATTER, AGAIN, BLANCO HAS DEMONSTRATED HIS USUAL
BALANCED AND SENSIBLE APPROACH TO MATTERS OF INTERNATIONAL INTEREST.
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